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DEFEND THE SOVIET UNION WHERE WORKERS RULE

War Clouds Thicken

Simultaneously with the arrival of the U. S. officials from London, where they have been preparing for the coming war, news arrives from Poland of another provocation against the Soviet Union.

On April 26 a bomb was discovered in the Soviet Legation in Warsaw, intended to kill the representative of the Soviet Union. Recently a leader of the National Democratic Party, Roman Dmowski, exposed the plot of Pilsudski to begin war against the Soviet Union in May.

MacDonald and his "Labor" government are making war against the masses of India, having killed hundreds and imprisoned thousands in the past few weeks, and are quietly rushing more troops to India.

In China the "regular" Spring war has begun on a larger scale than usual. At the same time, the rising revolutionary workers and peasants are taking over district after district, and city after city, setting up Soviet governments. The New York Times estimates that 30,000,000 people in China are now united in the Chinese Soviets.

Thus, while the war clouds thicken, the forces of revolution also gather. Imperialist war already contains within itself visibly the seeds of civil war.

The United States is a part of the world crisis of imperialism which brings close the inevitable war with lightning speed. "Our own" capitalist class sees this and is preparing for war.

Elsewhere we reproduce the San Francisco paper, recently distributed by 150 airplanes of the U. S. Army, from the air, over that city. It speaks for itself. Eloquently it speaks of preparations for war.

The war clouds grow thicker and thicker! On May Day the working-class gathers its forces for the struggle against imperialist war, for the defense of the Soviet Union and for the overthrow of imperialism!

Our Delegation in Prison

While we prepare for the May Day demonstrations, let all workers be reminded of our Delegation in the capitalist prisons. In New York our comrades Foster, Minor, Amter, and Raymond are serving sentences of three years for the "crime" of organizing the unemployed to demand work or wages. They are only the outstanding examples of many hundreds of our best, most loyal and able, organizers and leaders, who suffer imprisonment as the representatives of the working class.

Soon the Supreme Court of North Carolina is expected to order our seven comrades of Gastonia to begin serving their sentences, up to 20 years, for the "crime" of organizing the textile workers of the South and defending themselves against the night raids of fascists.

More than a thousand other cases are in court. Our "delegation in prison" grows, just as the crisis of capitalism grows, just as unemployment grows, just as the rising revolutionary sentiment of the working class grows.

And remember, workers, what kind of prisons your representatives are being sent to—Columbus, where 320 were burned to death a few days ago, and yesterday the remaining victims were subjected to gas bombs, to fire-hose, and to rifle fire. We have five young trade union organizers who are under sentence to Columbus for 5 to 10 years—for speaking at a meeting. Several young miners are now in Columbus for picketing during the late miners' strike.

Remember our prisoners! Raise the voice of millions of workers demanding their release from the hell-holes of capitalism!

Organize the workers! Build the revolutionary trade unions! Circulate the Daily Worker! Mobilize hundreds of thousands on the streets on May Day!

This is our best answer to the jailers. The marching millions are the force that will open the prisons!

Sample War Extra Dropped by 150 U. S. Army Airplanes in Frisco Maneuvers

This is a photograph of a large page sheet, printed by Hearst papers in co-operation with the war department as practice for the next war and as propaganda for more airplanes, in the hope of winning the workers to support an imperialist war even now planned by all capitalist countries against the Soviet Union.



WAR! WAR! BOMB WARNING TO SAN FRANCISCANS

The San Francisco Examiner, cooperating with the Floyd Bennett Aviation Post of the American Legion, and at the request of the War Department, is distributing this "warning" as a part of the Army Air Maneuvers national defense plan. These "extras" were printed on a few minutes' notice by The Examiner and are being carried over the City and County of San Francisco by airplanes furnished and manned by pilots of the Floyd Bennett Aviation Post.

PROVISIONAL WING HEADQUARTERS U. S. ARMY, MATHER FIELD, April 24.—(FLASH BULLETIN)—Twenty-two heavy bombing planes passed front lines here shortly before 10 o'clock headed toward San Francisco. Warn populace of San Francisco to seek cover and prepare for heavy bombardment from the air and poison gas.

Pursuit planes being rushed to area in attempt to intercept bombing fleet. Principal objective of bombers believed to be fleet of warships which are reported to have rendezvous off Golden Gate shortly before noon.

Latest News From the Front

MATHER FIELD, April 24.—The first of the advanced bombers... The wing will proceed from here directly to Matther Field... The wing will proceed from here directly to Matther Field... The wing will proceed from here directly to Matther Field...

In order to assist the War Department in this "war time" test will the person who recovers this "warning" post it in a conspicuous place.

Unemployed Leaders Are Not Bailed

JUDGE CONSIDERS ALSO MAY FIRST

Confirms Minor Speech at Sentencing

Complete confirmation was given by Judge Gavegan in Supreme court yesterday to the declaration of Robert Minor of the New York committee of the unemployed that Minor, William Z. Foster, Harold Raymond, Israel Amter and Joseph Leston were being imprisoned, "not only for the demonstration of 110,000 against unemployment on March 6, but also for the coming greater demonstration on May Day."

The confirmation was a political addendum to the judge's decision to hold "for consideration" the demand of Attorneys Joe Brodsky and Robert Elders of the International Labor Defense that the first four above named defendants, now serving 3 years for leading the jobless demonstration, be given a "writ of probable error" and admitted to bail while their appeal is coming up in the higher courts. It was made in the form of a statement, volunteered by the judge, brazenly cynical, uncalled for, not related in any way to the case.

MANY JAILED FOR MAY DAY DISTRIBUTIONS

The intense preparation for the May Day demonstration and march from Rutgers Square to Union Square is putting hundreds of workers in jail. The bosses are trying to stop the preparations of the United Front Committee, to make this May Day a monster demonstration against capitalist oppression and exploitation.

Tuesday, two days before May Day was a day of most intense activity and the I.L.D. has been active in bailing out, taking care of and receiving calls announcing arrests. Crime upon crime is reported: nine workers were arrested for distributing leaflets in front of factories in Brooklyn. Seven workers were arrested for painting the streets with signs saying "STRIKE AND DEMONSTRATE MAY FIRST." Children arrested for open air meeting in school calling upon all working class children to come out of the schools and join parents in demonstration.

The Judges have it calculated to place bail on each and postpone their cases to May 1st. They are placing as high as \$500 for distribution of leaflets. The International Labor Defense, as a member of the United Front May Day Committee, is bailing out the arrested

139 SHOE STRIKERS FREE MAY 1 MEETING HONORS

The May Day celebration at Coney Island Stadium at 7 p. m. will welcome 110 striking shoe workers, all members of the Independent Shoe Workers' Union who came up in the Bridge Plaza Magistrate's Court yesterday, charged with picketing and violation of Paragraph 600 (violating an injunction), and won their release. These workers were arrested under an injunction ordered by Commissioner Woods of the United States department of labor. The reception is also particularly in honor of 28 others who have just served 30 days on the same charge and who will have to be released today.

The union will meet them with a reception committee. Next Saturday the union gives a dinner to welcome the workers released from jail back into its ranks and back into the fight. The dinner will be at union headquarters, 16 W. 21st St., where reservations can be made.

Prepare May Day in Riga. RIGA, Latvia, April 29.—More than 100 Communists have been arrested here in connection with preparations for the May Day demonstration. The fascist police have been raiding workers houses.

COMPOSITORS READY TO STRIKE

Indignant at Bosses' Fight on 5-Day Week

Great indignation prevails among members of "Big Six," the typographical local in America, against the Newspaper Publishers Association for their program at their recent convention in New York against the five day week, and against the reactionary officialdom of the union which has tried in every way to delay and handicap the members' fight for this necessary demand.

At the last meeting of the New York Local ("Big Six") the members repeated this demand, and voted overwhelmingly, in spite of tactics of delay by the officials, to demand strike sanction from the international office. According to union rules, the international office has to give sanction or the strike is not recognized by them. A full analysis of the situation will appear in Saturday's edition of the Daily Worker.

All out! Rutgers Square 12 noon May 1st! Join march to Union Square!

ON MAY 1st FIGHT BOSSES' MURDER, LIES CAMPAIGN LEADING TO WAR ON USSR

American Army and Newspapers Conspire for War Practice and Propaganda for War

Soviet Union Holds Polish Government Stands Responsible for Bomb Planted at Embassy

Workers in general political strike tomorrow, May First, and in mass demonstrations all over the world are fighting not only for work or wages, not only directly against their own fascist terror which has raged against the millions of unemployed advanced section of the world's proletariat, the workers of the Soviet Union, from bloody armed assault planned by the capitalist governments

"Defend the Soviet Union, where the workers and farmers have their own state power, and are building socialism, where they have wiped out unemployment, and abolished exploitation on the job, where they have the four day week, and seven hour day, where wages rise and the standard of living, education, culture, everything that human beings want, rises with no limit in sight." This is one of the main demands of the strike and demonstration tomorrow.

The capitalist class openly plans and provokes war to wipe out in blood this great workers' and farmers' state, and prevent other workers from learning of its advantages, from imitating the Bolshevik revolution.

In the war propaganda maneuvers just held by almost the entire air force of the U. S. Army in San Francisco and vicinity, the "enemy" was dubbed, "The Red Army." On this page is printed a photograph of a scare head newspaper sheet, printed by the Hearst papers and dropped from planes over the city, to cultivate in the population a fear and hatred of "Red airplanes" and propagandize them for support of the capitalist, militarist forces of U. S.

Strike May 1 and demonstrate against all this poisonous imperialist propaganda! In addition to the continued religious crusade against the Soviet Union, a revival of the wildest stock slanders about "homeless children," "slavery," "murder," etc., in the workers' fatherland, has been started in the Hearst press and other papers in America. In addition to this, direct provocation and attempts to murder Soviet officials are being resorted to.

Over the week end, a bomb was found placed in the chimney of the Soviet embassy in Warsaw, with a firing wire leading to a monarchist club near by.

(Wireless by Imprecorr.) WARSAW, Poland, April 29.—The Soviet ambassador here, Antonov-Ovseyenko, has handed the Polish minister, Zaleski, the Soviet government's note regarding the attempted outrage against the Soviet embassy. The note draws attention of the Polish government to the fact that the outrage was possible only in view of the intensified anti-Soviet campaign conducted by a section of the Polish Press etc.

The note enumerates a series of outrages, including the murder of Soviet Ambassador Volkov, and points out that the Soviet government has frequently reminded the Polish government of the necessity of ending the existing situation and stopping the criminal activities of certain elements intent on provoking war.

The note concludes by placing the entire responsibility on the Polish government. The bourgeois paper, Gazeta Varshavska, declares the outrage shows the desperate attempt of certain circles to provoke war between the Soviet Union and Poland, forcing the latter along a path the people have no desire to take.

This paper declares a definite plan exists to provoke war and that foreign interests have agreed to finance the Polish government against the Soviet Union. It concludes by stating that the honor of the Polish state demands the securing of the criminals responsible for the bomb outrage.

Write About Your Conditions for The Daily Worker. Become a Worker Correspondent.

MANY GROUPS TO MARCH MAY DAY

Trade Union Unity League Calls Strike

The New York District of the Trade Union Unity League in its call to all its members and all other workers to strike and demonstrate May 1 urges them to continue the struggle for work or wages, the seven-hour day and five-day week, against speed-up and wage cuts, and for unemployed relief and insurance by joining the T.U.U.L. unions and leagues. Workers and jobs can come to 13 West 17th St. to join.

The national committee of the National Shoe and Leather Workers Industrial League of the T.U.U.L. calls on all organized and unorganized shoe and leather workers to strike and demonstrate May Day against exploitation, low wages, long hours, speed-up, yellow dog contracts, injunctions, government strike-breaking, police brutality and labor-fascism, as well as the general Labor Day demands.

Shoe and leather workers are to meet on Jefferson St., between Henry St. and East Broadway, at 11:30 a. m., May 1. The Barbers and Hairdressers' Section of the Trade Union Unity League calls all workers in that trade to strike and be at 11 a. m. in Clinton Hall, 151 Clinton St., from which they will march with banners to their station at Rutgers Square to join the mass demonstration.

The Amalgamated Section of the T.U.U.L. calls all tailors to strike May 1 and join the demonstration at Rutgers Square. It is distributing leaflets exposing the fascization of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers under Hillman, Risming & Co., and will make May First a protest against their company union tricks, worse conditions and unemployment.

"This May Day, more than ever before," says a statement of the International Workers Relief, "is a call to action. To all workers, and especially to our members, we appeal to demonstrate their solidarity. We call on them to strike and to join in the great May Day demonstration."

The W. I. R. brass band, and its English chorus, together with all affiliated organizations will be in the march. All members of the W.I.R. should come at 11:30 a. m. to Suffolk St., corner Hester St. and Seward Park. From there the W.I.R. will join the line of march.

Wednesday night a mass mobilization of all cafeteria and restaurant workers is called by the Food Workers Industrial Union, to meet at its headquarters, 16 West 21st St., and on Thursday morning at 9 a. m. all food workers of every sort are called to the same place, from where May Day instructions will be issued. The Food Workers' post at Rutgers Square will be corner of Jefferson St., between East Broadway and Henry St., where it should be before noon. The union will have a band of music.

Swollen Tariff Goes Back to Congress

WASHINGTON, April 29.—The Hawley-Smoot tariff bill, in the form that Hoover instructed as most agreeable to Wall Street, with the duties on most items even higher than before, goes back to Congress today. The tariff covers a 122-page printed report. Discussion over it is scheduled for May first.

WALL ST. ARMS ENVOYS HERE

Amid Big Armaments Increases

Met by the Tammany grafters who ordered the slugging and jailing of the unemployed workers in New York, the American delegation to the race-for-arms conference arrived on the Leviathan yesterday.

All of them immediately began to spread their pacifist poison to cover the tremendous arms race which grows out of the "escape clause" three-power treaty.

While the naval delegates talk "peace," plans are being made in the house and senate for building cruisers much above the large increases provided for in the treaty.

"If the treaty is ratified," said Senator Robinson, one of the delegates, on his arrival, indicating he has grave doubts, "I believe the execution of the program by the construction and replacements it contemplates will be calculated to prove helpful in future conventions."

BURN 322, SHOOT 100 IN OHIO PEN

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 29.—After burning 322 men to death like rats in a trap at the Ohio State Pen, the sadist Warden today ordered guards and soldiers to fire 200 rounds of ammunition into the cells, killing 20 and wounding over 100.

This fiendish savagery of the capitalist, blood-thirsty prison officials was the answer to the men's demands for better conditions, the answer to their objection being slugged, hounded, tortured and crowded into cells not fit for dogs. This is capitalism's answer to men who have the guts to object to being burned to death in one of the vilest prisons ever constructed.

GENERAL STRIKE IN CUBA MAY DAY

Workers of the World Prepare for May 1

HAVANA, Cuba, April 29.—A general strike will grip Havana and most of Cuba on May Day amidst the bloody Machado regime when thirty-six unions, federations and brotherhoods voted to celebrate May Day together with the revolutionary workers of the world.

The tremendous preparations of the workers has forced General Manuel J. Delgado, secretary of the interior, to announce that the "police will not interfere."

A mammoth parade will take place and the workers will march to a part of the city known as "Lenin's tree."

MANILA, Philippines, April 29.—Under the leadership of the Proletarian Labor Congress and the Peasants Confederation, a big May Day demonstration will take place throughout the islands. The labor-fakers in the Philippine Federation of Labor are boycotting May Day.

200 STRIKE ON SUPERIOR DOCKS

The one-day-old Marine Workers' Industrial Union is leading a strike of longshoremen fighting against a cut of 10 cents per hour in wages. The strike started in Superior, Wisconsin, while the marine workers were still in convention, forming their new union.

A wire from the union to Superior calls on the 200 men now on strike to elect a broad strike committee at mass meeting of all involved, to picket and to spread the strike. The strike started when the first ship came from the lower lake ports with cargo. The bosses offered 60 cents instead of last year's 50 cents. The strike is spreading to Duluth.

ARREST 400 COMMUNISTS IN SHANGHAI TO STEM MAY 1st PREPARATIONS

Martial Law Still in Force as Transport Strike Continues

Imperialists Fear Growing Mass Support of Communists

BULLETIN
 Inprecise wireless dispatch to the Daily Worker today states that 400 Communists were arrested in Shanghai for agitation for May Day, and martial law is still in force in the city.

An Associated Press dispatch yesterday reported that the tramway and bus drivers and conductors' strike in Shanghai is still going on, and that the transport system in the "International" concessions continue to be paralyzed. This fact, of course, lends great strength to the preparations for May Day.

Bus operators first announced that they would use white Russian guards as strike breakers, but later the rising tide of radicalization on the part of the Chinese workers and poor section of the population in general proved to be so strong that the attempt was given up, the company officials announcing that they feared serious damage to the buses.

The strike, which embraces the transport workers both in the Inter-

national Concession and the French Concession in Shanghai, began April 25, according to a cable report from Shanghai printed in a Chicago daily paper. The strike is offensive, with the workers demanding wage increases.

The imperialist and native reactionary press in China have become hysterical in the face of the rising revolutionary wave both in city and country. Like "Clubber" Whalen of New York, who spouts lies about \$100,000 from Moscow, the British North China Daily News yesterday featured an article, headed "Gold From Moscow for Shanghai Unrest."

Other "reliable" foreign sources, according to an Associated Press dispatch, state that the Chinese Communists "constitute the most serious menace confronting the Nationalist government at Nanking."

"The people like the Communist form of government and hope to keep their own particular section of China that way," reports one Chinese paper, according to capitalist press reports.

600 STRIKE IN BRIGGS PLANT

Detroit Workers Plan May Day Strike

DETROIT, April 29.—Six hundred metal finishers in the Briggs Mack plant struck this morning under the leadership of the Auto Workers' Union. The workers demanded abolition of piece-work, the eight-hour day and a minimum of 90 cents an hour.

At present they are working 12 hours. Although they were hired with the guarantee of 68 cents an hour, the workers are receiving piece-work rates and are speeded up, making a maximum of 50 cents only, with 20 cents for beginners. Moreover, while last year 8,000 were employed this year only 3,000 have been hired.

The workers also put forward the demands for unemployment insurance, equal pay for Negroes, women and young workers and against other methods of discrimination.

A mass meeting held by the strikers was addressed by Raymond, secretary of the union, and Kovalski, who spoke in Polish, because a large number of the strikers are Polish-speaking workers.

A large strike committee was elected, consisting of union and non-union strikers. Nearly a hundred workers joined the union at the meeting.

The strikers held a meeting tonight, to which all Mack plant workers were called, through leaflets, and they decided to start picketing Wednesday morning.

NATIVE SOLDIERS MUTINY IN INDIA

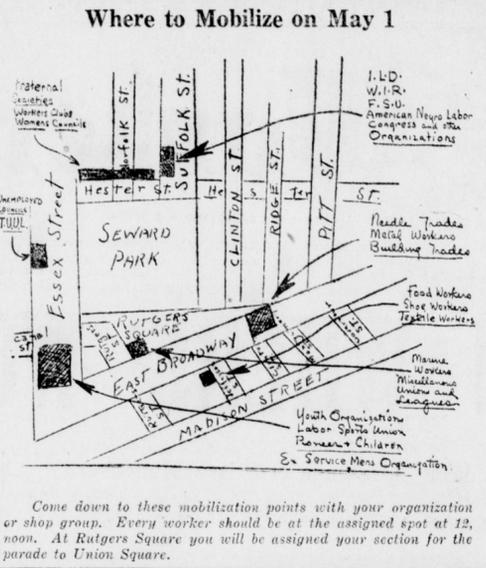
Refuse to Shoot at Their Brothers

LONDON, April 29.—News is leaking out through government reports that Indian troops which the "labor" government attempted to use in Peshawar against their fellow workers and peasants who are revolting led to a mutiny.

Official reports declare that the Second Battalion of the 18th Royal Garhwal Rifles was "found to be unsatisfactory" and was transferred to another region for "investigation." Undoubtedly the slimy MacDonald government will order executions for the Indian soldiers who refused to shoot their brothers.

Gandhi and his petty-bourgeois followers are not calling on the Indian soldiers to turn their rifles against their British masters. He calls upon the MacDonald government to shoot the revolvers.

BOMBAY, India, April 29.—Symptoms of the growing revolutionary temper of the proletarian and oppressed Indian masses against both British imperialism and the native exploiters was shown in a battle Sunday between the so-called "untouchables," the workers who forced to do the most menial and disagreeable work, and petty-bourgeois Hindus. Several other class battles took place in many parts of India.



JUDGE CONSIDERS ALSO MAY FIRST

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Communist Activities

Sec. 2 Daily Worker Campaign Dance Saturday, May 10, 26 Union Sq., jazz band, international dance music.

Y. C. L. Needle Trades All League members in N. Y. W. I. U. must report Tuesday and Thursday at 7 a. m. at 131 W. 25th St. for important special work.

All literature agents and members of literature committees to report during Wednesday, April 30, at the Bookshop, 26 Union Sq. Bring membership book with you.

All Y. C. L. Members Who can ride a bicycle report today, 5:30 p. m., at League Office, 26 Union Square.

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Should Do On May First.

STRIKE! And get every other worker in your shop to strike.

Report to the headquarters or assembly place of your union, shop, fraternal organization, or club, etc., at the appointed time.

Join your fellow workers at the appointed place adjoining RUTGERS SQUARE by 11:30 a. m.

Join in the march to UNION SQUARE which begins at 1 p. m.

Participate in the demonstration at UNION SQUARE which begins at 3 p. m. and lasts TILL 5 p. m.

After the demonstration in Union Square proceed with the least possible delay to Coney Island Stadium at 6th and Surf Ave. and join in the celebration which begins at 7 p. m. sharp.

Stay away from the fascist demonstration against May Day! Don't go to Union Square till 3 p. m.

Stay away from the social-fascist meetings called by the treacherous socialist party and the musteifer fakers of the company unions.

How to Reach Rutgers Square

1. Take 14th street cross-town car and get off at Delancey St., then walk over three blocks.
2. From West side: Take Grand street cross-town car to Essex St.
3. B.M.T. to Delancey St. and Essex St. on the Canarsie and Jamaica line.
4. 3rd Avenue "L" to Chatham Square.
5. 2nd Avenue "L" to Canal St.
6. B.M.T. to Bowery station on Coney Island express.
7. I.R.T. to Canal St. on 4th Ave. line. Walk East to Square.

How to Reach Coney Island Stadium
 Surf Avenue—West 6th St.
 B.M.T. Coney Island subway to the last station.

Today in History of the Workers

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Down Tools May 1!

May Day Eve Dance, Entertainment. By Upper Harlem Unemployed Council, Wednesday, 1800 Seventh Ave. Admission 25 cents.

Sacco-Vanzetti I. L. D. Wednesday, 8:30 p. m., 1472 Boston Rd., Bronx. Final May Day preparations.

Volunteers Wanted. To sell Labor Defenders on May Day. Report to I. L. D., 799 Broadway, Room 422.

Labor Defender Photo Group. All workers taking pictures for May Day report Wednesday, April 30, at 7 E. 14th St. to make final preparations.

Coney Island Open Air Meeting. Today, 2:30 p. m., at 36th St. and Neptune Ave., Spooket, Louis Baum. Auspices Women's Council.

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Hold Mass Meeting in Santa Anna Plaza and Then March on Bank

Call for Unity of Workers to Overthrow the Imperialist Rule

PANAMA CITY, Panama, (By Mail)—Nearly a thousand workers joined in a demonstration here on April 14th, under Communist leadership, against American imperialism and the Fascist Ortiz Rubio-Wall Street government in Mexico. A mass open air meeting was held in Santa Anna plaza. Speakers denounced American imperialism and the fascist terror in Mexico against the revolutionary workers' organizations. Then the workers marched to the National City Bank of New York on Central Avenue, with banners bearing slogans "Down with American Imperialism," "Fight U. S. Rule in Haiti, Nicaragua, Mexico!" "Workers! Unite for the overthrow of imperialism!" "Long Live the Soviet Union, Fatherland of the Workers and Peasants of the World!" "Only by their own Power Can Workers Destroy their Misery. Let us Fight for This Power!"

Beaten By Police



Sam Don, member of the Chicago District Committee of the Communist Party showing the effects of the beating he received at the hands of the "bomb" squad.

250,000 JOBLESS WALK STREETS

30,000 Took Part in the "Work or Wage" Fight

By EDWARD SOLWAY. Unemployment in Philadelphia is as critical as it is throughout the country. Over 250,000 workers are already walking the streets for months with no prospect for work. The Textile and Metal workers in Kensington, the Longshoremen and the building trades are especially suffering from this crisis. This explains the successful March 6th demonstration in Philadelphia in which 30,000 workers participated for the demand "work or wages."

Bosses and A.F.L.-Fascists Attempt to Fool Workers. Only after March 6th the bosses and their agents were compelled to recognize the existence of unemployment and to make a gesture in order to fool the workers. The police ordered a registration of the unemployed. The A.F.L.-fascists began to talk about misery of the jobless while at the same time circulating petitions demanding that preference for jobs be given first to the citizens thus attempting to divide the workers. T.U.U.L. Unites the Jobless With the Employed. The Trade Union Unity League began immediately the organization of the jobless workers. Under its leadership eight councils of unemployed were organized and have been functioning since. Hundreds of members in those councils participated daily in the struggles of the workers, in the fight against evictions, for the demand of work or wages through unemployment insurance and others. The Unemployed Councils are mobilizing now those thousands of jobless for May-day demonstrations and we are sure that this May Day will be the second important step for the mobilization for the July 4th convention to be held in Chicago.

and, indeed, yesterday the building workers in Chateau Roux and Bourges went on strike. The strikers demand wage increases. The master builders are trying to carry on with strike-breakers and have the full support of the police. A stubborn struggle is expected.

Wall Street Angles for Brazil Control

American imperialism is very active against British imperialism in Brazil, and a loan of \$100,000,000 is now being floated in Wall Street by Speyer & Co. to stabilize the coffee industry, which is suffering from a severe crisis. The U. S. Steel Corporation is taking up the investment of \$250,000,000 in the rich iron ore deposits in Brazil.

ASKS FOR JOB BUT GETS BOOKLET

Can't Eat Boss Lies (By a Worker Correspondent) PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Last Monday I went to the Midvale Steel Co. in search of a job. At the employment office I was told to register my name and address and I was also told that should my "services" be required I would be sent for. But instead of being given a job before leaving I was given a 54-page booklet issued by the Daughters of the American Revolution. This booklet gives free information to immigrants as to how they should behave in this land of the "free" wage slaves and home of the "brave" Al Capones.

Especially in all the immigrant workers' difficulties they advise him to seek advice first from the preacher and second from the school teacher. A whole lot more bunk about how to get rich and independent—and to avoid advise from the Reds. The contents of this booklet shows that America of the bosses is feeling the growth of the Communist Party and the Trade Union Unity League. The workers can show their strength by organizing into the Trade Union Unity League and joining the Communist Party of the United States of America, fighting for our rights against the Midvale Steel Co. and the so-called Daughters of the American Revolution. —A METAL WORKER.

FIGHT WAY TO MEETING

After a Young Communist League meeting at Clinton St. and East Broadway last night, the young workers marched to Tenth where another meeting was going on. They had to fight the whole way against police and their allies who attacked, tore at the signs, and tried to stop them.

TELLS OF CONDITIONS IN THE GENERAL ELECTRIC

(By a Worker Correspondent) PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—I am a worker from the General Electric Company's plant in Philadelphia, where thousands of workers are toiling under miserable conditions. The General Electric is now introducing the newest methods of speed-up and wage cuts, resulting in lay-offs, hundreds of men being laid off and nobody seems to care as to how they are going to live without having a job. The speed-up causes many accidents which occur often. A few months two of the hookmen were forced to do the work of four hookmen. They could not catch up with where I work, in Department 129, where I have been cut from 55 cents for a hundred pounds of screen wire to 51 cents. And wire No. 38 has been cut from 42 cents to 38 cents. Our wages were cut even more than the figures show. The checkman who weighs the wire is used to deducting as much weight for the truck and driver as the company sees fit, and, of course, we have to speed like hell to make some form of living, as many of us only have work for two and three days a week. Some men are forced to speed like hell to make their wages, and what do the bosses care, for they only want us when we can speed. Old workers who slaved most of their lives in Roebbling's are given the worst kind of work; many of them cannot work on it, and, of course, they must go. Instead of getting a pension they get a long vacation without pay. The sentiment in the shop is all against the bosses and for the Industrial Union, the Metal Workers' Industrial League. The men are starting to realize that only through organization can we change conditions. —GENERAL ELEC. SLAVE.

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TRACTION WORKER OF BOSTON CALLS FOR STRIKE ON MAY DAY

Workers on Elevated Railroad There Suffer From Layoffs; 400 Mechanics Fired

Worker Calls Those Laid Off to Join Unemployed Council and Demonstrate May Day

(By a Worker Correspondent) BOSTON, Mass.—Since the first of the New Year the Boston Elevated has discharged four hundred mechanics and street car operators and are preparing for further layoffs by the changing of cars which now necessitate a crew of two to one-man cars. Edward Dana, General Manager of the company, is on a local committee to help Hoover solve the unemployment problem. This is his method of doing it. Unemployed workers, join the T.U.U.L. Unemployed Council. Come out May 1 for work or wages! —J. M., Worker Correspondent.

Hupp Now Pays \$3 a Day

(By a Worker Correspondent) Editor Daily Worker: I am writing this letter to let the auto workers of Detroit and vicinity know what is going on at the Hupp mobile plant. This company is now hiring workers at 35 cents an hour, nine hours a day. Workers on piece rates are able to make \$3 to \$5 a day if they hurry. Many of the workers are working only three or four days per week.

Workers who think that the auto industry will pick up again are fooling themselves. The auto industry has seen its peak. From now on it will be stabilized at a low figure—thousands of workers now out of work will always be out of work! The only way in which workers can answer is by organizing themselves into a strong union—the Auto Workers' Union. M. R.

10 Cents an Hour in Furniture Factories

(By a Worker Correspondent) We workers in the furniture factories are just as bad off as some of the slaves in the South. A worker that was fitting drawers got 50c for five hours work and another man got \$1.75 for seven hours of work. A worker complaining to the foreman about these conditions was told to get out if he don't like it 'cause there are many others that can take his place. One might just as well be unemployed and starving as working for 10c. an hour. This is going to keep up as long as we are unemployed. Our only way out is to join the Furniture Workers Industrial League which is affiliated with the Trade Union Unity League. Let's prepare for an even larger demonstration on May First than we had on March 6th and show the bosses that we really mean business. —A FURNITURE WORKER.

TOILER'S LOT IS WORSE IN BUDD'S CONDITIONS BAD IN BIBERMAN'S

Speed-Up Hits All the Workers Must Form Shop Com. for Better Pay

(By a Worker Correspondent) PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The workers of Budd's are now in a worse condition than ever before. Now, especially you workers in Budd's who have been working there for the last 5 years have noticed the conditions in the plant. Where, for instance, 5 years ago on the Dodge jobs it took 2 to 3 men for 1 operation and now 1 man does 2 or 3 operations. Five years ago the Dodge departments employed a force of 1,500 to 2,000 men. Now two additional models have been added and 5 times as much work is done with a force of 600 to 1,000 men. Organization only of all Budd workers can change this terrible speed-up. Organize shop committees to join the Metal Workers Industrial League under the leadership of the militant Trade Union Unity League. The workers at Budd's will show their solidarity with the workers throughout the world by joining the union and for the fight for a Workers and Farmers Government on May Day. —A BUDD WORKER.

RACE 'EM RAGGED IN ROEBLING'S

Speed-Up Makes Jobless

(By a Worker Correspondent) TRENTON, N. J.—Roebbling's Sons wire mill, one of the largest in the United States, where over six thousand workers are employed hands the speed-up system to us workers in many different ways. Where I work, in Department 129, wages have been cut from 55 cents for a hundred pounds of screen wire to 51 cents. And wire No. 38 has been cut from 42 cents to 38 cents. Our wages were cut even more than the figures show. The checkman who weighs the wire is used to deducting as much weight for the truck and driver as the company sees fit, and, of course, we have to speed like hell to make some form of living, as many of us only have work for two and three days a week. Some men are forced to speed like hell to make their wages, and what do the bosses care, for they only want us when we can speed. Old workers who slaved most of their lives in Roebbling's are given the worst kind of work; many of them cannot work on it, and, of course, they must go. Instead of getting a pension they get a long vacation without pay. The sentiment in the shop is all against the bosses and for the Industrial Union, the Metal Workers' Industrial League. The men are starting to realize that only through organization can we change conditions. —ROEBLING WIRE WORKER.

FREE CALIF. WORKERS ON WRITS OF HABEUS CORPUS

LOS ANGELES, April 29.—Writs of habeas corpus have been granted for the release of the 11 leaders of the Imperial Valley workers arrested April 14 in El Centro and Brawley and indicted under the criminal syndicalism law. The writ was granted by the District Court of Appeals and is signed by Judge Charles R. Bernard who set the bail at \$1,000 each. Up until this time the bail was \$40,000 each. A hearing will be held May 6 in San Diego. The I. L. D. of the Los Angeles section will hold a district conference, the end of May, Frank Spencer, organizer, announced today. It is also arranging a series of indoor and outdoor street and factory gate meetings, he added. Write About Your Conditions for the Daily Worker. Become a Worker Correspondent.

Anthracite Miners! Down Tools May First!



HIT ANTHRACITE SELL-OUT PLAN

National Miners Union Conference May 18

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., April 28.—"Fight against the new sell-out agreement of the officials of the United Mine Workers and the coal companies! Fight the betrayals! Prepare for strikes on September 1! Fight for one national agreement for soft and hard coal fields!" says a leaflet issued for the anthracite coal miners by the National Miners' Union, calling a N. M. U. tri-district conference on May 18. The N. M. U. points out that a fake tri-district convention is being held April 30 by the U. M. W., whose officials at first thought they could sell the anthracite miners into a new slave contract without any convention. The contract expires August 31. Fear of the rank and file forced the Lewis-Boylan-Hartwey-McAndrew clique in the U. M. W. to pretend to hold another convention, which, with the rank and file stifled, will make fake decisions in their name. Conditions Bad Wages have been reduced in the anthracite, few miners are paid for dead work, very few get a full week's work, loading machines are throwing thousands out, unemployment grows by leaps and bounds. When the miners go on strike, the U. M. W. rushes in and forces them back in the name of the agreement, the grievances are sent to the "conciliation board," the graveyard where it is buried. The National Miners' Union urges all locals to send delegates to the National Miners' Union Tri-District

CHICAGO TOILERS PROTEST JAILINGS

Organizations Demand Leaders Be Freed

CHICAGO, Ill., April 28.—At a mass meeting attended by 800 workers of Chicago, Monday evening, the following telegrams were unanimously decided upon and sent: To Mayor William Hale Thompson, the mayor under whose administration hundreds of workers have been brutally beaten up, persecuted, and jailed, the following message was sent: "We demand that an end be put immediately to the growing fascist terror in the city, the raiding of working class organizations, arrest and murderous slugging of workers. We also demand that you act immediately on the demands submitted to you March 6th by the Council of Unemployed. To the New York prisoners, Foster, Amter, Minor, Lester, and Raymond, the following message was sent: "Eight hundred workers here gathered to protest and organize fight against police terror send their greetings to you as stalwart leaders of the working class."

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MAY DAY IN LATIN AMERICA

By JORGE PAZ.

WE are facing a new May Day in Latin America, the date consecrated by the world proletariat to proclaim its revolutionary conviction, a day of protest against the bloody persecutions of capitalism and of struggle for the right to the use of the streets, in which will ultimately develop the complete defeat of the capitalist system.

But this First of May has special characteristics. The achievements of the last three months prove that the crisis of international capitalism has grown more acute and will have as a consequence the sharpening of the class struggle, the development of imperialist war and the war against the USSR.

Clashes in Latin America.

The financial crash in the United States has had its echo in the international market, which has been hit very hard, but especially is this true of Latin America, where the monetary exchange, agricultural products and raw materials have all been seriously affected.

These things have brought the proletariat of the Latin American countries almost to starvation, a situation which has resulted already in street riots (Colombia), revolutionary general strikes (Cuba), armed uprisings in some states (Pernambuco, Brazil), the burning of trains and stations (as in the railroad strike in Argentina), and revolutionary demonstrations in regions that were long asleep (Peru, demonstration because of the death of Comrade Mariategui), etc.

Latin America is going through the same period as in 1919, but with a difference: in most of the countries there is now a Communist Party, a condition which did not exist in 1919.

The most distant regions, the most remote jungles of Latin America always had an uprising on the First of May. But, due to the backward economy of these countries, the anarchists gave a lamentable impression to the First of May: a day of mourning, a day of weeping for the victims of reaction.

Today the workers' organizations of Latin America, under the direction of the Confederacion Sindical Latino Americano, orientated on a revolutionary trade union policy, has for the first time coordinated the uprisings of the workers and the poor peasants.

For the first time in more than 40 years, in which this day has been celebrated, the Latin American proletariat has centralized the direction of the revolutionary movement, for the First of May.

The 20th of March.

The 20th of March, unemployment day, resulted in some victories for the proletariat in Latin America. In Colombia, in the city of Medellin, the workers rose in demonstration to protest against unemployment and to demand work or wages. The Colombian government, of course, did not give either. Colombia is under the heel of U. S. oil interests and these companies do not want to give them

more money, although the new president, Olaya Herrera, is here in New York, in an effort to solve Colombia's financial crisis.

The jobless workers of Medellin left the Party behind them in their revolt, leading the Party where the Party should have led them, while the "Socialist Revolutionary Party" which pretends to be a section of the Communist International, placed obstacles in the path of the strategic retreat of the Colombia proletariat. Medellin gave the real and concrete measure of the radicalization of the masses.

Hearing that the unemployed were raiding dairies, groceries, butcher shops, etc., an ever increasing mass of workers flocked to the demonstration. The chief of police, the Mr. Whalen of Medellin, when he went to command his soldiers against what was becoming a real revolt, suffered such an attack of "ton-sillitis" that he died almost instantly. (In reality, he was shot.)

The wife of one of the workers who was assassinated by the police declared that her husband, when he heard that the Communists were raiding the groceries, went to see if he could get something for his wife and their five children to eat, because none of them had had food for three days. Did the siege of the city by the police quench the mutiny? The first of May will answer this question.

The most important sector of the Latin American proletariat is now Cuba. The workers of this country are facing a pitiless struggle against the tyranny of General Machado, agent of American imperialism.

The National Workers Federation of Cuba, under the complete influence of the Communist Party, has demonstrated its intention to fight, despite the decree of bloody Machado suppressing the National Workers Federation of Cuba.

One of the slogans of the First of May is the legalizing of the Federation, freedom of speech, press and assemblage, legality of the Communist Party, and of the Young Communist League.

Unemployment, hunger, misery, low wages, and the intolerable living conditions of the workers and peasants of Latin America will be attacked in the mass demonstrations on the streets of Latin America on May Day. The strikes of the 10th of January and the 20th of March showed the growing radicalization of the workers, and their determination to fight.

The May Day fight will be directed principally against American imperialism, and in South America, likewise, against British imperialism. In the United States, the struggle of the workers against American imperialism will give effective support to the fight of the working masses in Latin America in their struggle against American imperialism.

On this May Day, more than ever, the unity of the fight of the workers in the colonies and the workers in the imperialist countries, comes into the forefront.

Out of the Factories! Join the Demonstration



By FRED ELLIS

Draft Program of N. M. U. for the Anthracite

The 5-Year Agreement is coming to an end. The hard-coal miners now face the problem of working out a new agreement with the coal operators. Every rank and file miner must give some thought and consideration to the events of the past 4 years, examine carefully what has taken place during the course of the 5 Yr. Agreement that was signed by Lewis and his henchmen after the bitter 6 months strike of 1925-26.

Lewis and the Company-Union, fascist, U. M. W. A. hailed the sellout called the 5 Yr. Agreement as a "great victory" for the miners. It was a victory—but not for the rank and file. It was a great victory for the coal companies. During the life of the 5 Yr. Agreement, the operators have realized great profits. The miners have realized—wage cuts, speedup, unemployment, increased accidents, lengthened hours, general worsened conditions, and a smashing of the Union.

Conditions in the Anthracite Fields

What are the conditions in the hard-coal fields at the present time? Are the wages earned by the miners the same that they were 4 and 5 years ago? Absolutely not. Every miner knows that a whole series of systematic wage cuts were put across by the coal companies. Every miner knows that his wages have been considerably reduced. Very few miners are today being paid for dead work. The rates per car loaded have been reduced in most instances by about 50 per cent. Tonnage rates have been decreased. Yardage prices have been cut, and in many mines, the yardage basis has been abolished. Consideration time is practically non-existent at the present time. The miners must now pay for their tools, must buy their own jack-hammer and drills, must pay for the compress-air for the jack-hammers. Miners are being docked for dirty coal.

In the report of the Secretary of the Interior of the state of Pa., Mr. Woodward (Nov. 22nd 1929) it is seen that for the year 1928, anthracite miners had received a total of \$239,555,100 in wages. For the year 1927, hard-coal miners had earned \$255,853,100 in wages. This means that there was a drop of \$16,298,000 in the wages of the miners in one year. No doubt the drop for 1929 was even more than in 1928.

The hard-coal miners are being speedup more and more. The brutal speedup system is daily sapping up the life and energy of the miners. The coal operators are increasing production of anthracite coal at the expense of the life, limb, and health of the miners. Miners are told that they must produce 5 cars a day instead of 4 as previously produced—for the same price (case of the W. Ridge Coll. of the Scranton Coal Co.). The output of hard-coal for 1929 was near the average for the 10-year period, nevertheless it was produced with 15 per cent less working-time. This means that the miners were speeded up so much the faster. At the same time, as a result of the brutal speedup, and failure to install safety devices, accidents in the mines have increased considerably in the last period.

The introduction of new machinery in the mines, the loading machines, under cutting devices, conveyors, etc., means throwing thousands of miners out of jobs permanently. Unemployment and partial employment are rapidly on the increase throughout the anthracite. Some collieries have been and are closed down for 2 and 3 months. Most miners are lucky if they put in 2 days a week work. This means terrible suffering for the miners and their families. Disemployment, and part time work means that the miner cannot pay his rent or bills, cannot feed and clothe his wife and

children. It means misery and suffering for the miners.

The hours of actual working time that the miner puts in have also been increasing. Whereas formerly a miner was able to make his shift in 5 1/2 to 7 hours, in many mines the miner must put in the full 8 hours. Umpire Gorman, of the Conciliation Board, has ruled that it is a violation of the agreement for a miner to stay less than the full 8 hours in the mine. The coal companies do not yet dare to enforce this ruling everywhere, but after Sept. 1st—if Lewis succeeds in selling out the miners again—the coal operators will ruthlessly enforce this decision. This will mean an increase of 1 to 2 1/2 hours for every miner in the anthracite.

In the anthracite, the contract system is in full bloom. This contract system is the curse of the hard-coal region. It means a division of the workers into contractors and laborers. It means greater exploitation of the anthracite miners, and bigger profits for the companies. The contractor system means the bribery of a small section of the miners at the expense of the great bulk of the men. The operators use the contracting system in order to enslave the miners still more, and it must be expected, that the companies will use this contract system more than ever before at the expiration of the agreement. The coal operators seek to evade all responsibilities for working-conditions, wages, etc., by the use of the middle-man—the contractor—who also gets his share of the profits created by the toil of the miners.

Bigger mergers of the largest coal companies are on the order of the day in the anthracite, and are taking place more frequently. In 1928, seven of the large anthracite companies owned and controlled between 75 to 80 per cent of all anthracite mined. And some of these 7 companies have already merged. The coal companies are closely interlocked with the big railroads that run through the anthracite with the Erie R.R., the D.L. & W. etc.) and with the most powerful financial interests of Wall St.—Morgan and Rockefeller interests. These mergers are consolidating huge trusts which represent a great force against the miners. The results of these mergers are: a) greater exploitation of the miners b) more wage cuts c) speedup d) introduction of more efficient machinery into the mines e) larger number of miners being thrown out of the industry.

The anthracite coal companies are directly connected up with the government machinery in the state and city, as well as nationally. The government apparatus is being used more frequently against the miners who resist the onslaught of the operators. Just as was the case in Illinois, where the companies used the state militia against the striking miners; so will the coal barons in the anthracite use the state troopers, the national guard, the police, the courts, injunctions, tear gas bombs, and machine guns against the hard-coal miners. The operators and their government agents will always threaten the large number of foreign born anthracite miners with deportation, registration, finger-printing, in order to terrorize the foreign born workers, and in order to kill their militancy. It is the duty of the miners to prepare now to resist these government attacks, to resist the terrorization of the foreign born miners, to organize all nationalities of miners; and to establish real unity and solidarity amongst the hard-coal miners.

What is bringing on these worsening conditions, these wage cuts, etc? It is due to the fact that the anthracite industry, as part of the coal mining industry as a whole, has been in a serious crisis ever since the ending of the last

ON TO THE STREETS ON MAY FIRST!

To the Men and Women Workers in the Chemical and Art Silk Industries—To the Papermakers and Sugar Workers of All Countries

Comrades:

On May First the streets belong to the working class—that is the slogan of the Red International of Labor Unions.

Capitalism is twisting and turning in the throes of a heavy crisis such as has not been known for long years back. The realities of life have dealt the knock-out blow to the legend of capitalist "prosperity" and the theories advanced by the turncoats and the Right opportunists concerning capitalism's stability.

Efforts are being made, with the direct assistance of the social-fascist trade union officialdom, by the capitalists to transfer the consequences of this crisis to the shoulders of the workers. In chemical plants everywhere, in the factories producing explosives and poison gases, the most refined methods of rationization and super-exploitation have become a common feature. Steadily, bit by bit, your already miserable wages are being cut down, while you have to work nine and ten hours a day.

Employed and unemployed! On this May First demonstrate your will to further develop the struggles of the masses against capitalist rationalization, for the maintenance of the unemployed, for the 7-hour day and the 6-hour day in all harmful occupations, for higher wages, for suitable protection of labor, besides special labor protection for women and young workers, for the full maintenance of the victims of accidents in workshop and factory which have become such a regular occurrence, in the chemical industry especially.

Desperate efforts will be made by the social-fascist T.U. bureaucracy to paralyze and weaken any First of May manifestations. The International Committee of Propaganda and Action calls on you to prepare in organized fashion to give the setback to these social-

fascists, to down tools in all plants on that day, and to march out in joint demonstrations with the other workers under the fighting slogan of the Mass Political Strike. Rally around the First of May Committees; organize your Workers' Defense Sections.

Organized and Unorganized!

The class battles lying ahead demand the fullest consolidation of the ranks of the proletariat. Join the Red trade unions and rally to the revolutionary trade union minority movements of the workers in the chemical and kindred industries.

On May First the proletariat of the U.S.S.R., including the chemical workers, the papermakers and sugar workers will march out in their demonstrations whose slogans will be the victorious construction of socialism, the performance of the Five-Year Plan within four years, the complete collectivization of agriculture, and the "liquidation" of the rich farmers as a class.

The campaign in favor of launching a crusade against the U.S.S.R. and the fierce race in armaments, especially in relation to chemical warfare, that is going on among the imperialists must be the signal for the mobilization of all the forces of the world working class in defense of the U.S.S.R.

On May First it is for you to demonstrate with particular vigor against the fascist and social-fascist inspirers of imperialist war and the idea of the crusade against the Soviet Union.

Out on to the streets! Organized and Unorganized, in your firmly welded ranks move forward to the final onslaught upon the triple alliance of the capitalist state, the employers' federations, and the fascists and social-fascists!

No imperialist war! Against the preparations for chemical warfare! Defend the Soviet Union!

International Chemical Workers Committee for Propaganda and Action.

world war. It is due to the shrinkage of the home and foreign markets, and to overproduction of hard coal. It is due to the cut-throat competition between the different groups of operators throughout the world. All kinds of substitutes are being used to replace coal. The campaign against Russian coal that is now being conducted by the operators and their agents is being done for two purposes:

1.) As part of the attack against Workers' Russia in trying to prepare the miners for war.

2.) As a means to bring a cut in wages by yelling about the "competition" against Russian coal, which is mined according to these liars for 17 cents a day by Russian workers. The Russian miner receives 65 rubles a month (\$32.50), work 6 hours a day, 5 days a week; gets a months vacation with pay, pays little rent, gets free passes for the railroads and the best theatres, etc. The miners must be on the watch against these schemes to cut wages, for the very same tricks were used by the Illinois operators in 1927, except that they yelled about Kentucky coal and not Russian coal.

The operators are trying to overcome the growing crisis in the anthracite industry at the expense of the miners. The coal companies want to reduce the cost of production by paying less wages, speeding the miners up more; so that their profits can continue to grow. In this policy of trying to overcome the crisis at the expense of the miners; the operators are very ably assisted by their pals and agents—the UMWA officialdom.

Position and Role of the UMWA.

Every miner must ask: What has happened to the United Mine Workers of America? What is the UMWA doing to protect me? Is it at all concerned with my working conditions?

The UMWA in the course of the last five years has undergone a complete change. It is no longer in any way, shape, or manner, the union of the rank and file. It is no longer the militant union that was once the backbone of the American labor movement. Lewis and his machine, have seen to it that the UMWA has been turned into a company union. The UMWA is an agency of the coal operators. It serves the companies now, and not the miners. The officialdom of the UMWA use fascist methods against the militant rank and file miners.

Every semblance of democracy has been stifled and killed. Militants have been slugged, victimized, threatened, and expelled. The UMWA works hand in glove with the operators against the miners (recent case in Tamaqua). The local grievance committees have been deprived of all power, and the only "recognized" power is the Conciliation Board, which serves the operators, and which is the graveyard for all miners grievances.

Lewis's role, and that of the UMWA, is to see that the policy of the operators is carried thru without the miners offering any resistance to these policies. When spontaneous strikes occur because of grievances, the UMWA rushes to order the miners back to work on the ground that "You can't violate the agreement." While it is alright for the coal companies to violate the agreement, it becomes a crime according to the UMWA for the miners to fight for their rights and interests. The UMWA betrays the miners daily, and are preparing one of the blackest betrayals this Fall—when the agreement expires on August 31st.

The UMWA under John L. Lewis's misleadership have steadily sold out the miners. In 1922, Lewis saw to it that the soft-coal miners were separated from the anthracite miners by signing two different agreements. At the same time, Lewis left 100,000 miners in the coke regions in the lurch. In 1924, Lewis expelled 12,000 miners from the UMWA in the anthracite because they dared to fight against intolerable conditions in the Pennsylvania mines. In 1925-26, Lewis and the UMWA worked hand in hand with the operators during the course of the strike in the anthracite, while the rank and file was fighting bravely and starving. He then signed the infamous 5-year sellout. In 1927, Lewis and the UMWA betrayed the soft-coal miners in Penn-Ohio-Ind. etc., and destroyed the conditions of the Jacksonville agreement by his policies.

The UMWA is actually destroyed in the soft-coal field. From a membership of over 350,000 miners, the UMWA has dwindled down to a skeleton of its former self, and hasn't got more than 125,000 in its ranks. The bulk of these are to be found in the anthracite.

The reactionary, fascist officialdom will go the full length in accepting anything and

everything the operators offer, in order to keep the gool graces of the anthracite companies. The hard-coal miners must make a determined and courageous fight against the fascist UMWA officialdom whose sole interest in the miner is collecting his \$1 dues and \$2.00 each month in assessments.

At the present time, a new group of so-called progressives has been formed in Illinois under the leadership of the corrupt, company-agent, \$25,000 a year Peabody Coal Co. man—Farrington. Fishwick—another one of the agents of the Peabody Coal Company, who is as corrupt as any of them, is also a "leader" of this new movement. Howatt, Haggood and Brophy are lined up with the crew of fakirs. Howatt—when the fight became hot—jumped on the Lewis band-wagon for a \$250 a month job. Brophy went into business—and quit the fight against the Lewis machine. Haggood is a spineless creature—who swings with the wind like a weathercock. These people want to "reorganize" the UMWA, and shift the treasury for themselves. These social-fascists are very dangerous enemies of the miners because of their use of progressive phrases. The miners in the anthracite must be on guard against these elements. The hard-coal miners must fight ruthlessly against all those who support Farrington and Fishwick in any manner whatsoever.

Tasks of the Rank and File—Fighting Demands of the National Miners Union.

What must the rank and file anthracite miners do? The first and foremost task is to prepare to defeat the Lewis sellout. The miners must prepare for strike on September 1st. No honest rank and file miner need suffer from any illusion that he will get any increase in wages—or better conditions—or even the present standards—without a struggle. The miners must begin to establish Rank and File Committees of Action in each and every colliery. The Rank and File Committees of Action must take in all miners regardless of whether they are UMWA men, NMU men or unorganized.

The Committees of Action must assume leadership in the mines. It must prepare the miners for strike on September 1st. It must serve as a strike committee of the rank and file. It must work above the heads of the UMWA misleaders, and under the direct leadership of the Rank and File Union—the NMU. At the same time, the Committees of Action must fight now for the immediate demands of the miners even before September 1st. The Rank and File Committees must become the basis for the Union in the mines.

The rank and file must begin to build and strengthen the National Miners Union—the militant, fighting Union of all the miners. The NMU is preparing to call a national general strike of all miners on September 1st, in support of the anthracite miners, and for one national agreement for soft and hard coal fields (as well as metal).

The NMU proposes the following program of demands for the anthracite miners:

- 1.) \$8.80 basic, minimum day wage for all miners and laborers.
 - 2.) \$8.80 day wage for all outside men.
 - 3.) 6 hour day and 5 day week.
 - 4.) Abolition of the contractor.
 - 5.) Unemployment Insurance, and old age pension.
 - 6.) Abolition of the Conciliation Board, and all class collaboration schemes.
 - 7.) All tools to be supplied by the company free of charge to the miners.
 - 8.) No discrimination against young and Negro workers—Equal pay for equal work.
 - 9.) Rigid enforcement of all safety laws.
 - 10.) Against the speed-up system.
 - 11.) Organization and recognition of rank and file pit committees of the National Miners Union, and full mine control and job distribution by the rank and file committees.
 - 12.) No child labor in the mines.
 - 13.) 2 weeks vacation with pay.
 - 14.) Installation of sprinkler system for elimination of dust.
 - 15.) Full sanitary conditions in mines.
- Demands for the machinists and helpers in and around the mines will be considered at the Conference of the NMU.
- Miners! Prepare for struggles! Build the Rank and File Committees of Action!
- Organize into the real militant rank and file miners union—the NMU and fight for your demands and interests!
- Strike on September 1st! Fight for better conditions—higher wages—shorter hours—unemployment insurance!
- National Miners Union—Anthracite District

Servicemen and Ex-Servicemen, Unite with Workers May 1st

Note: At this time when the fascist veterans' organizations are mobilizing the ex-servicemen to struggle against their own proletarian class brothers on May first the following editorial written by our great leader Lenin is of paramount interest. This appeal was written after the overthrow of Czarism and a few months before the victorious workers revolution. In the United States as well as in Russia the interests of the soldiers and ex-servicemen lies with their own class. Soldiers and ex-servicemen! Do not line up with the exploiters, the capitalist class. Join the workers in the factories in the strikes and demonstrations on May First!

To the Soldiers!

By V. I. LENIN

(Delivered at the meeting of the Zimalov Regiment, Petrograd, April 23, 1917)

COMRADES, Soldiers! The question of the government structure is now the order of the day. The capitalists, in whose hands the government power now is, desire a parliamentary bourgeois republic, i.e., a form of government in which there is no czar, but in which the rule will remain in the hands of the capitalists who will govern the country by means of the old institutions, namely: the police, the bureaucrats, the standing army.

We desire a different republic, far more suited to the interests of the people, far more democratic. The revolutionary workers and soldiers of Petersburg have overthrown czarism, and have cleaned out all the police from the capital. The workers of all the world look with pride and hope on the first vanguard of the universal liberating army of the working class. Having begun the revolution, it is necessary to strengthen and continue it. We must not permit them to reestablish the police! All power in the government, from top to bottom, from the most wretched village to each ward of the City of Petersburg must belong to the Soviets of Workers', Soldiers', Farm Labor-

ers' and Peasants' Delegates. The central government power must be united in these local soviets—whether you call them a Constituent Assembly or a National Assembly, or a Congress of Soviets, the name does not matter.

There must be no police; no bureaucrats, who have no responsibility to the people, who stand over the people; no standing army, cut off from the people, but only the people armed from head to foot, united in the soviets—it is they who must run the government. It is they who must establish the necessary order, it is they whose authority will not only be obeyed, but also respected, by workers and peasants.

Only this power, only the Soviets of Soldiers' and Workers' Delegates, can—not in the interests of the land-holders, nor in the bureaucratic manner—solve the great question of land. The land must not belong to the feudal owners. The land must be taken away at once by the peasant committees from the land-holders; they must see to it that the raising of grain is increased in order that the soldiers at the front may be better supplied. All the land must belong to the whole people, and this consummation must be realized by the local Soviets of Peasants' Delegates. In order that the rich peasants—themselves capitalists—may not hoodwink the farm laborers and the poorest peasants, it will be necessary either to compound, unite, or fuse with them, on the one hand, or erect our own Soviet of Farm Laborers' Delegates.

Do not permit the police to be reestablished; do not permit the government power or the control over the government to pass into the hands of bourgeois officeholders not chosen by election, and irremovable and paid on a bourgeois scale; unite yourselves, weld yourselves firmly together, organize yourselves, trusting no one, depending only on your own intelligence and experience; and Russia will be able to move with firm, measured, certain steps toward the liberation both of our own country and of all humanity, from the yoke of capital as well as from the horrors of war. Our government a government of capitalists, is continuing the war by reason of capitalist interests. Like the German capitalists of all the other countries are waging a war only for a division of the profits of the capitalists, for world rule. Hundreds of millions of people, almost all the countries of the earth, have been dragged into this criminal war. Hundreds of billions of capital have been invested in "profitable" concerns, bringing to the peoples death, hunger disillusionment, barbarism, and to capital scandalously high, insane profits. In order to free ourselves from this frightful war, and to conclude a truly democratic peace based not on force, there is only one way possible: the transfer of all the government power to the hands of the Soviets of Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates. The workers and the poorest peasants, who are not interested in the preservation of the profits of capitalism, in the conquest of weaker peoples, will be able truly to bring about that which the capitalists merely blabber about—namely, a conclusion of the war with a lasting peace which shall assure liberty to all peoples without exception.

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